

IN RECOGNITION OF “MEDICAL ULTRASOUND AWARENESS MONTH”

WHEREAS, The medical ultrasound community has joined together to familiarize and educate the public about medical ultrasound and its importance in health care; and

WHEREAS, Medical ultrasound professionals will have the opportunity through specially planned activities and educational materials to educate their patients and the public on how medical ultrasound works, its use in medical diagnoses, and what areas of the body ultrasound can image, as well as acquaint patients with terminology related to medical ultrasound; and

WHEREAS, Much of the general public is familiar with the use of medical ultrasound during pregnancy, many people are unaware that ultrasound can be used throughout all stages of life and for various medical indications; and

WHEREAS, Educating the public about the credentialing of those who perform medical ultrasound examinations will help them to make more informed health care decisions; and

WHEREAS, Familiarizing the public about the significance of ultrasound practice accreditation will help ensure that nationally accepted standards in patient care are met: and

WHEREAS, Technological advancements in medical ultrasound have had a tremendous impact on the quality of health care over the past 50 years; and

WHEREAS, The safety of medical ultrasound has allowed this noninvasive imaging modality to become an increasingly popular tool in medical diagnoses; and

WHEREAS, Professionals who specialize in the use of medical ultrasound will be given the opportunity to celebrate their profession, as well as educate students and the public about careers in medical ultrasound.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, in cooperation with the medical ultrasound community, do hereby proclaim October 2003 as “MEDICAL ULTRASOUND AWARENESS MONTH” in Augusta, Georgia. This month recognizes the importance of medical ultrasound in health care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this 2nd day of October 2003.